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## The Student Congress Hosts Regional Campus Conference

The Student Congress of Purdue Calumet is host to the Spring PU-IU Inter Regional Campus Conference to be held April 9, 10, 11 at the Dorchester Inn in Dolton, Illinois. All campuses of Purdue and Indiana Universities have been invited and are sending representatives. The three days include meetings and general information sessions besides an all-around good time. First day activities include registration, an initial meeting, and time to get to know everyone. A banquet will complete the day with Assistant Dean Combs welcoming the students and Dr. Forbes, the Congress sponsor from Purdue Calumet, informing and entertaining! A dance follows to relax everyone and give a moment of enjoyment before the business of the next day.

After an early breakfast, a specialty meeting will allow representatives to split into special interest groups. These will include administrative, financial, communications, and faculty meetings. After lunch, representatives will return to the groups of the initial meeting. Minutes of the first meetings of all groups will be read and the topics discussed again. It is felt more can be accomplished in this manner than if new groups and new topics were introduced.

A tour of Purdue Cal follows this third meeting. Small groups will converge upon the campus led by members of the Congress. Dinner will be left to the student's imagination, but the evenings recreations are planned. It has been suggested that all representatives meet in the pool at the Dorchester to refresh themselves before retiring.

The final day is set aside for a re-cap meeting at which time all representatives will discuss, over breakfast, the happenings of the previous days. Decisions concerning future conferences and problems concerning all PU and IU campuses will be made. It is the hope of the Conference Committee that these days will lead to many important solutions to problems concerning all campuses and many decisions helpful to all students in the various universities.

Dorchester Inn

## Students Vote In Mock Election And Express Views On 3 Issues

On April 24, students at Purdue Cal will be able to participate in a nationwide primary election. The election, called Choice '68, is sponsored by Time-Life. Students will indicate their first, second, and third choices for president; and will also be asked their opinion on three important issues.

For student radicals these days, the menu has been sparse. Vilified by the press and Congress for their noisy activism, scorned by the majority of their moderate classmates more concerned with campus affairs, and lambasted from the pulpit for their flowing locks and sundry other hygienic offenses, they seem to have nowhere to go.

Their views, sound as they appear to them to be, remain largely ignored, and their protests, correspondingly, have disintegrated into displays of cynicism and emotional diatribes aimed at the Establishment. The American democratic process strikes them as more absurd with each passing day—and each mounting crisis.

CHOICE '68, the National Collegiate Presidential Primary, will probably either solidify the skepticism of the campus radicals or cause them to re-evaluate their thinking as to the actual political power of the vote.

If a sizeable percentage of college students do care enough to participate in the election, and, indeed, do succeed in exerting some appreciable pressure over the policymakers of the country, then the radicals may well channel their considerable energies into the drive to lower the voting age to eighteen.

If the Primary fails, however, to stir the long silent student moderates or to influence American policy, then leftists will probably remain convinced that only forceful and, if need be, violent action will produce acceptable political ends.

But of more immediate concern is whether the radicals will participate at all in CHOICE '68. The ballot, certainly, is well stocked with leftists and moderate-liberals, and the Viet Nam referendum questions should satisfy the most extreme of the radicals. The current anti-administration feeling among students would also seem to indicate that a leftist vote is a distinct possibility.

Unfortunately, it's too soon to begin forecasting whether the radicals will respond to or boycott the primary. The one fact that is certain is that they do have a chance to mobilize and express themselves meaningfully and effectively in CHOICE '68. The decision is theirs, as James Reston wrote, where they "want to dream or work." CHOICE '68 may well tell us which avenue they choose.

## Legislature Allocates Money For Education, Not Parking

"Education, not parking, is the philosophy behind the state legislature's allocation of money for Purdue Calumet," according to Mr. Lee Barton, Assistant Director for Administration.

The Indiana General Assembly has appropriated money to Purdue Calumet for the same usage as at Purdue Lafayette. The Board of Trustees believes that preference for using this money should be given to bettering the quality of education for students rather than providing parking facilities.

Because Purdue Calumet is a commuter campus, it has an acute parking problem, not experienced at Purdue Lafayette. Mr. Barton explained that there are several ways of solving this parking problem.

1. Money that was appropriated for classrooms, laboratories, etc., could be used for constructing parking lots. The administration has not chosen to do this because it wants to use that money to upgrade the quality of education on this campus.

2. Money from the student activity fees could be used for parking lots. The administration questions the fairness of this proposal. Students who do not drive should not have to pay for parking facilities they do not use. Also, the student activity fees should not be used for the physical improvement of the plant but for student activities, clubs, etc.

3. Revenue to provide parking facilities can be obtained by charging the people who use these facilities. This is the plan adopted at Purdue Calumet. Every cent that is paid by students, faculty, and visitors for parking is used to maintain and expand the parking area.

"We feel this third method is the fairest manner of handling the situation," explained Barton.

A high rise parking lot is included in the long range development plans for the University, Barton continued.

"As for the problem of parking on the street, that is completely out of our hands," Barton volunteered. "The City of Hammond has jurisdiction over that."

In answer to the question, is there any hope for the General Assembly appropriating funds to alleviate the Purdue Campus parking problems, Barton replied, "I don't know. We have requested money for that purpose but it has been denied thus far."

# Letters to the Editor

**Dear Editor:**

In the March 1 **Boilermaker** the comparison between the Purdue Cal Pipers and the Lafayette Boilermaker basketball squads is entirely out of proportion. The statistics attempted to show that the Piper's "performed well in comparison with their colleagues at Purdue's main campus." The figures pointed out that four of the Piper's first five players had more field goals (in the same number of games) than the corresponding likes of Bill Keller, Herm Gilliam, and Rick Mount. The other starter "managed to keep pace with his Boilermaker compatriot Tyrone Belford in the rebounds department."

I am a season ticket holder of Boilermaker home games in Lafayette and have made the trip to all but 3 games. To return from Lafayette after a Big-Ten battle (where half of the students desiring tickets in the 14,000 seat arena are turned down) and then to attend a Piper home game with a few dozen "loyal" students present *is like the difference between a 76er and Celtic encounter at the* Boston Gardens and a Highland-Gavit junior varsity contest.

If the Lafayette scouts had thought so much of those who perform well in comparison with the "Killer," "Reb," and the "Rocket," why then don't they recruit these Pipers? Could these Pipers make a Purdue Frat team? Well, the old men could certainly try.

To look at this analogy from a realistic point of view, I think a fair, but just barely fair, comparison could be made between Chase and the Riveter's fantastic freshman star Larry Weatherford. Certainly not between a team who loses twice to a 6-14 unheralded small college squad and reputedly the best fast breaking quintet in all of college basketball.

A **Boilermaker** Fan

**Madam:**

May I compliment you and your staff, in particular on the March 1 issue, which seemed to me to contain well-written and pertinent news and maturely and effectively presented arguments.

May I further submit a slight factual supplement: Dr. Shoup was concerned and active in the matter of the resolution on religious exercises submitted to our AAUP chapter; however, the resolution was submitted by Dr. Bechtel, seconded by me.

Sincerely,
**Walter Hartmann**

# Waves In The Bathtub

by Ben Jory

A commuter university like Purdue Calumet, with its physical and intellectual growing pains, its dissatisfaction with the present and its uncertainty about the future, is still an adolescent as universities go. Since its development is slow, or apparently so, Purdue Calumet is in an excellent position to creatively choose what its adult status will be five, ten or twenty years from now.

The opportunities for a dynamic, different Purdue are simply staggering. In the first place, Purdue Calumet is geographically in one of the most diversified population areas of the country. Hardly any ethnic or racial group is missing from the Calumet Region. The university literally lies in a microcosm, the world surging around its doorstep, a world that presently is slowly growing more suspicious of itself and more sceptical of its destiny.

Purdue Calumet, secondly, is developing in the midst of a classic economic struggle between rich and poor. The gross, immoral economic inequalities between the white ghetto of Munster, Highland, Crown Point and south Hammond and the black-spanish american-appalachian ghetto of East Chicago, Whiting and Gary, are too obvious to be ignored. Sadly, it is difficult to foresee any significant change in the pattern of a widening distance between the haves and have-nots in the Calumet Region.

Thirdly, Purdue Calumet is growing amidst perhaps the greatest and most concentrated industrialized area of America. The impossible air and water pollution of the Region attest to the evils industrial giants can generate. At the same time, it is industry, becoming gradually more sophisticated in its operations, that holds out the promise of a national material prosperity unheard of in our history. It is industry also which may hold in its roaring innards the opportunity for greater human dignity in work or the tragedy of greater de-humanization.

Fourthly, Purdue Calumet is surrounded by a political fabric so corrupt and petty that perhaps no amount of citizen effort can untangle the alliances holding the fabric together. Cleaning the area's political house may mean building a new house altogether—a formidable, if impossible, task. In a city like East Chicago, for example, political representation is a satanic joke.

Fifthly, as an educational institution Purdue Calumet ought to be dismayed that the educational level of many of the area's schools is disastrously inadequate. With broadly integrated schooling only a dream at present, with accreditation of some schools in continual jeopardy, and with some schools boards locked securely in a prison of non-imaginative thinking, Purdue Calumet finds itself in a veritable blackboard jungle.

Sixthly, Purdue Calumet straddles a potential powder-keg of racial explosions. The white and black racism of the Calumet Area is like a stifling and lethal gas choking the rational life out of the entire region. One searches in vain to find an organized group of any size that espouses any sort of enlightened views on the racial issue and has any effective influence on the community.

Seventhly, the university watches patiently for some kind of leadership from the religious sector of the area. The churches and synagogues are like service stations where people, if they go at all, gas up once a week on a message which either seems to peter out as soon as they leave the building, or is so irrelevant to the times that it consists only of Bible-quoting and breast-beating. The clergy offer pious prayers at public gatherings, using the appropriate "thee's" and "thou's," but have nothing to *really* say or do.

The list could be longer but these will suffice. Now, what of Purdue Calumet, the adolescent, maturing university? What of its future? I suggest that this future, as open and inviting and challenging as any university might hope for, given the situations described above, is simply not being creatively charted. What kind of imaginative education are we receiving here? Are we even receiving an imaginative training? Is Purdue Calumet simply going to be another degree-granting factory, spewing out students year after year who are as unexciting, as insensitive, as apathetic, as materialistic, as unpromising, as inflexble, as de-humanized as the mechanical monsters in the food lounge?

The students at Purdue are horrendously apathetic. Is that a surprise? How many educational features at Purdue are designed to stimulate any enthusiasm among students? How many experimental programs at Purdue are helping students to be aware that learning and life are inseparable and exciting? How many situations does the university create to push students out of a mental straight-jacket and into a genuine confrontation with any one of the seven areas mentioned above?.

The last issue of the *Boilermaker* is a classic example of the stimulating atmosphere at Purdue Calumet. It is a credit to the staff of the paper that they even bother to put time into the thing. The lead article told us of gripe sessions in the lounge. Apparently the gripes were so uninteresting or innocuous that none were reported. We were assured, however, that the Student Congress Senators were there to "protect" the Congress. I guess we should all breathe a sigh of relief about *that*. Later in the same article (it wasn't too important, obviously) we were informed that the Congress had lost its president and recording secretary. Oh well, that's life.

Another front page article gave us the astounding news that all of two students will now be members of the Lecture and Assembly Committee. Since the money being spent by the Committee comes from student activity fees, this is indeed a gracious gesture by the faculty members on the Committee. Naturally, the voting strength remains firmly where it belongs—with the five faculty members.

Elsewhere in the paper Mr. Newsom gave us a two-column, blow-by-blow account of the parking program. It was a very consoling report, the kind of report that gets the students *thinking*, I mean, really *involved*. In fact, if you eliminate the articles that concern cold cash and how it is spent or misspent, you eliminate Newsom, part of the lead article, an editorial on activity fees, the bookstore gripe article, the Dean's remarks about the university, the remodeling project article, and the university policy toward the athletic department which "stinks." Why don't they just pass out copies of the *Wall Street Journal* and be done with it?

Purdue Calumet can be a good, even great, university. But unless the administration and faculty inaugurate imaginative educational programs in every field of study and provide inspiration for the students to get deeply involved with these programs and the problems of that microcosm we call the Calumet Region, then the students will never be anything but apathetic. The academic degrees they receive will be keys to economic status, but will not unlock the doors that lead to a truly responsible human life in the real urban world. Instead of making waves, our graduates will only splash around with their toys in the bathtub.

# Candidates–Student Government

The current discord surrounding the political scene within this nation reflects the intense consequence the people place in the coming presidential election and the preceding primaries and other policking affairs now mushrooming throughout the country. The same intense interest should be focused on the prospective candidates for Student Government positions on this campus.

The elections for these vital positions are a scarce five weeks away. With elections coming up in the second week of May, the short period between today and that week is the only chance for the student voters to survey their future voice in all affairs concerning administrative decisions and policies. The individuals elected in May to the Cabinet positions for next year will set the policy for all communications between the students and their government, which in essence is the only student voice the administration will deal with on an official basis.

Now is the time for all students to begin attending Student Congress meetings and the "bitching" sessions which began today to determine if the current representatives are

representing the student body or if they are wasting time with frivolous self interests and personal gripes. See if you and your interests are being represented. The meetings are held Tuesday at 4 p.m. in room 181, they are open to all students and everyone may contribute to the discussion and debate.

Come to examine and evaluate for yourself the individuals that might possibly lead the Congress next year. Decide if your government needs new blood, a little fresh air or the experienced people with the knowledge of the official channels and the maneuverability within them. Also decide if these experienced people have the necessary insight to elicit new ideas and to maintain open mindedness.

## *Student Congress*

Hurray! The Student Congress still exists after all. It's about time they got off their dead A..... and did something for us around here.

These are just a couple of the comments that were overheard at last Friday's TGIF dance. This dance is the first tangible thing the Student Congress has done for the student body this school year. Many of you probably wonder why this is a first at this late date. Has Congress been doing something after all? You say you don't believe it. If this is the case ask yourself and some of your friends if they think we could have had a dance like this last September. I think you will find that most people are astonished that it happened at all.

Let's stop at this point for a moment and go back about eleven months to last May. Rember the campaign promises that were made? The TEAM'S platform amounted to one very important factor—COMMUNICATIONS. For the first time in the history of Purdue Calumet, the Administration has RESPECT for the Student Congress. The Administration has learned that, for a change, responsible people are running our Student Congress. That's how and why we, the students, were able to go to last Friday's TGIF dance.

This paper feels that these people aren't the only responsible students at Purdue Cal. Thanks to those members of the student body who were at the dance, a TGIF dance will be held every Friday. The noise level was held down to the point that we didn't disturb the operation of the library or any class room. Before the dance, many students helped move the tables and chairs out of the way and then after the dance they helped move the tables and chairs back into place again. Admittedly, this only took about 10 to 15 minutes, but the students showed the Administration and faculty that we are people able to accept responsibility. Again to these people, this publication says, Thank You.

This is only a beginning. We, as students, are beginning to establish an identity of our own. We are NOT Purdue Lafayette, we are PURDUE CALUMET.

The Student Congress cannot operate alone. They need to know your complaints, questions, and your ideas. At the present time there are only 31 seats in the Student Congress. Your Congress needs YOU. Starting today, in the food lounge at noon, the Student Congress is coming to you. You will be able to ask any question you want and get an answer. If they don't know the answer to a specific question, they will say so and then try to get an answer for you. No matter what the answer is, you will get it straight. If it is the Congress, the Bookstore, the Administration, or the faculty who is at fault, you will get an answer. This is your school and no one else's.


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# Alpha Lambda Delta Accepts 7 Coeds In Honorary Society

The Alpha Lambda Delta national honor society has accepted seven freshman coeds from Purdue Calumet. The initiation ceremonies for these coeds that have met the rigid B-plus average will be held May 7 at the Lafayette campus.

The students were selected by Alpha Lambda Delta representatives from the main campus. In order to achieve membership, the girls had to attain a grade average of at least 5.5. The seven from Calumet Campus who accomplished this are: Wendy Ann Ganser, Humanities; Nora Ellen Moore, Humanities; Sharon Gay Yaskulski, Agriculture; Jana Marie Oprisko, Humanities; Sheila Ann Rezak, Humanities; Janice Marie Wilder, Humanities; and Susan Marie Ziemkiewicz, Science.

The purpose of the honor society is to promote intelligent living, a high standard of learning, and to encourage superior scholastic achievement among freshmen college women on our nation's campuses.

**Seated: Janic Wilder, Wendy Granser, and Nora Moore. Standing: Jana Oprisko, Sharon Yaskulski, and Shelia Rezak. Not present at the time of the picture was Susan Ziemkiewicz.**

Miss Barbara E. Elsbury, assistant dean of women at Lafayette reported that 133 Purdue women had attained the eligibility requirements. In addition to the seven from Purdue Calumet, there were 114 coeds from the main campus and four members each from Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, and North Central campuses.

## "Camelot" Theme For Semi-Formal At Cherry Hills

The Spring Semi-Formal Dinner-Dance is planned for Friday, May 17. It will again be held at Cherry Hills Country Club in Flossmoor, Illinois. Entertainment this year will be provided by the Cy Touff Band playing from 8:00 until 11:00. At 11:00 dinner will be served, followed by the Muttonbourge Courtship, a modern group consisting of students from Purdue Cal.

The theme of the dance will be "Camelot." A castle-like atmosphere is promised by those decorating, and flowers will add the necessary touch needed at such an important affair. Dress will be semi-formal. Men are to wear tuxedoes or dark suits and ties to correspond to their dates formals or street-length gowns respectively. It is up to the couples to chose their own attire.

Committee Chairman John Flores guarantees superb playing by the bands, and a successful dinner. The tickets will be $15.00 and a limit of 125 couples has been set. The sale of tickets will begin immediately after spring vacation and last for only three weeks or until the tickets are gone. Reservations may be made in the Congress Office, room 152, or in the food lounge at prearranged times.

## Class-Free Open Session Planned For Fall Semester

Beginning in September, 1968, no classes will be held on Mondays from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. on the Calumet campus. This time will be set aside for the new convocation period.

Every week students and faculty will be provided two hours, free of classes, for all types of activities. This time is set aside for lectures and assemblies, and for meetings of student organizations, clubs, faculty, various committees, etc.

Dean Richard J. Combs explained that "hopefully time will be blocked out on a regular basis so that the lectures and assemblies committee can establish a series of programs." He went on to state that the Council of Faculty Delegates might possibly appoint a convocation committee to establish policies for the use of this time.

At the present it is impossible to accomodate more than 300 persons at one time in any given space. However, with the expansion of the building program of the university, it is hoped that a much larger number of persons can be congregated together for assemblies.

The idea of scheduling a convocation period each week is not new. Some time ago the faculty voted to establish an ad hoc committee of faculty members and representatives of the student body to study the feasibility of establishing a convocation period. This committee met, examined the proposal, and decided it was advisable to introduce this weekly class-free period. With the aid of computers, the scheduling of this time was made easy.

## AAUP SETS POLICY ON TEACHING LOADS

For the first time the Calumet Chapter of the American Association of University Professors will set a policy on the maximum teaching load of an instructor it was decided at the March 28 meeting.

A committee made up of Professors Eugene Engle, Robert D. Bechtel, and Charles W. Miller, will draw up a policy statement limiting the number of students that a faculty member would teach.

Securing the reduced load and the resulting smaller classes hinges on getting an increase in appropriations through the state legislature in the 1969 session.

The AAUP committee will also draft guidelines for awarding coveted summer school teaching assignments.

# Nichols Outlines New Plan To Revamp Honors Day

A new plan for a Fall Convocation which would replace the former Honor's Day procedure was outlined at the Student Congress meeting March 19 by Prof. Robert E. Nichols, Jr. of the English department.

The plan calls for a program keynoted by the bearing in of Purdue Calumet's authentic Indian calumet at the head of the procession of the faculty.

The program would include recognition of not only student achievement, but achievements of the faculty and perhaps that of some member of the community as well.

Rather than reading the names of all students who have a B plus or better grade average, one outstanding student would be chosen for recognition by each of the schools.

The program would include a progress report by the dean reviewing the accomplishments of the past year.

The major part of the program would be devoted to a speech by a person of national stature on a subject of worth and interest to the faculty and student body.

A committee of the Faculty Advisory Committee is now studying the proposed plan.

## SNEA Chapter Plans Programs

The SNEA is an organization that originated on the Calumet Campus this fall. The SNEA is the Student National Educational Association and is open to all students interested in education.

The organization has 35 members and Johnetta Mihalo is president.

Some of the spring programs that are scheduled include: a film on "The Drop-Out"; Mrs. MacKibben on "Head Start"; Mr. James Cronin on "Educational Decisions"; and the state convention in Indianapolis.

# Cabinet Elections Scheduled For Second Week Of May

Elections for the Cabinet positions of the 1968-1969 Student Congress will be the second week of May. Petitions will be available to all students in the Congress Office, room 152, immediately after vacation. Positions include President, Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer. Any interested student should obtain a petition and return it with the required 25 signatures within two weeks. The petitions must be returned by April 26. Campaigning rules will be given with the petitions concerning when, where, and how the campaigning is to be held. The only qualification for a position is that the student must have either a 4.0 grad or semester index as of last report.

Also on the ballot will be an important issue that must be voted on by the entire student body, the Purdue University Calumet Campus Student Bill of Rights. This Bill of Rights has been passed by the Student Governments of Purdue Lafayette and Calumet and are being presented to all Purdue campuses. They must be passed by the entire student body, the faculty, and the administration. Copies of the bill are available in the Congress Office, and the entire bill will be published in the **Boilermaker** previous to the elections.

It is the duty of every student to acquaint himself with all he is to be voting upon in the coming election. People will be running for important positions concerning the entire student body whose qualifications must be determined by the students who vote for them. The Bill of Rights must be made known to all students, and only by a substantial vote can the administration know the feelings of the majority of the students.

# *Sad Ballad*

(to the tune of "Home on the Range")

Oh, give me a place near the coffee machine,
Where my nickels and dimes are all stored,
Where twice every year, no more often I fear,
The over-worked filter is gored.

CHORUS: Home, home in the lounge,
Where the student pay money to gay,
Where nobody thinks, that he likes what he drinks,
But without the "think-drink" it's a drag.

Oh, let my eyes feast on the sugar and cream,
And the mini-cups piled up so high.
Just let me be sure that the caffeine is pure,
So the muck on the bottom can dry.

M.D.

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## Faust Lecturer Speaks On Snake-like Scholars

Do any of your professors at Purdue Calumet Campus resemble snakes? Dr. Patricia Ewers does not think so. She adds that if they do, they are scholars in the traditional Faust concept as Nathaniel Hawthorne would depict them.

In the second speech of the Faust theme series being presented each Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the formal lounge, Dr. Ewers of DePaul University, Chicago, traced the influence of the Faust myth in American philosophy and literature.

This influence began with the Puritan Cotton Mather's view of God and Satan contesting for man's soul. The Puritan romantics, Stephen Vincent Benet, Nathaniel Hawthorne, and Herman Melville, deal with the Faust theme, each differently, according to Dr. Ewers.

Benet's use of the Faust theme in "the Devil and Daniel Webster" is clear from the title.

Dr. Ewers explained that several of Hawthorne's scholarly characters have snake-like looks and mannerisms. In their pursuit of forbidden knowledge, Hawthorne's Roger Chillingworth and Ethan Brand go farther than Marlowe's Faustus. He merely sells his soul to Satan; they become Satans.

"Is not the Creator of the universe responsible for good and evil in that universe?" "Who's to judge when the judge himself is dragged to the bar?" Dr. Ewers explained that with these questions Melville's Ahab challenges the nature of things. This is the ultimate step.

Other aspects of the Faust theme will be dealt with by other speakers each Wednesday.

There will be no presentations during vacation week, but the series will continue after that for three more weeks.

## New Fraternity At Purdue Cal

A new fraternity has been organized at Purdue Calumet under the name of Alpha Gamma Omega. This fraternity has the strong foundations of a national fraternity, with scholarship, uni: ty, and progress as its primary objectives.

The officers are: Joe Shimko - President; Louie Thomas - Vice-President; Mark Shimko - Secretary; David Feller - Treasurer.

Coming events: A softball game with Pi Delta Phi during spring vacation; and plans are being made to have a dance and a road rally in early May.

For information concerning Alpha Gamma Omega, contact any of the officers.

# Forbes And Bechtel Coordinate New Math Program At Pulaski

Pulaski Junior High School in Gary is the scene of a new and unique math program which is under the guidance and direction of two Purdue Calumet Campus professors.

Prof. Jack E. Forbes and Prof. Robert D. Bechtel of the Math Department of Purdue Cal are now spending one third of their time in an exploratory and experimental program designed to teach math to the "unteachable."

Working closely together with two ninth grade general math teachers, Professors Forbes and Bechtel are "experimenting" with about 100 students divided into four classes.

Prof. Forbes explained that the main objective of the program is to diagnose the students' problems accurately and to correct them.

Although the program is interested in the students attaining a proper level of achievement corresponding with their grade level, the primary concern is to obtain individual student growth or improvement. Growth is being determined by a comparison of students' test scores before and after participating in the program.

The actual teaching of the students is done entirely by the school's own math teachers. Professors Forbes and Bechtel receive a feedback from the teachers' interaction with the students. Under the supervision of Prof. Forbes and Prof. Bechtel, the math teachers are using special materials, conducting their classes differently to maintain interest, and in general, using different methodology.

A new diagnostic test created by Prof. Forbes carefully and accurately reveals the students' problems in math. In contrast to the conventional multiple choice tests given for math, the new diagnostic test requires that students show their work, and gives them no "hint" or choice for the correct answer. This enables teachers to see how they got their answers and shows where their difficulties lie. The test proceeds from the very basic first grade math concepts to the more difficult math problems encountered in the higher grade levels.

The text for the new program, also designed by Prof. Forbes, makes use of new methods and distinguishes itself from the ordinary math textbook even at first glance.

A new idea called "color coding," which has also been used experimentally in Belgium, is one of its main differences. Color coding is a system of accentuating important ideas by means of a bright color in algorithms of problems, or in any other idea which is especially important and must attract the student's attention.

Also used in the text are pictures or a type of visualization of math for the student. This helps the student to correlate a math symbol (such as "½") with the actual concept (such as half a circle or half a pie).

Prof. Forbes stated that the basic premise of the project is to provide a new program that has a pragmatic approach, and will require a minimum amount of re-training for the secondary school teachers. It is hoped that within three years, professional help such as that which is being given now will be unnecessary. The only special training that the teachers will receive will be the new texbook itself.

If the project is successful, as indeed it promises to be, then it may have widespread effects as other school systems adopt the new program.

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# Purdue Pipers Look Pert For New Hardball Season

The Purdue Calumet Pipers begin their 1968 baseball campaign Saturday at Wright Junior College in Chicago. Needless to say, the confident Pipers expect to open the baseball wars with a winning note. Perhaps the greatest cause for this would-be success lies in the strength of the infielders.

Unless Ernie Banks and Ron Santo suddenly enroll at Purdue Cal, the infield appears to be set. Rookie Jim Rospond, a freshman from Morton, appears to be people's choice for the third base chores. Rospond, a blotter at third base, has a strong arm, and sufficient baseball sense that is needed for a top notch third sacker. A fundamentally sound player, Jim's one problem may reside in the lack of ability to hit the curve ball—the greatest difference between high school and college pitchers.

Shortstop Larry Mills enters his third varsity season with the Pipers. Lead-off man Mills is a speedball on the bases, a good fielder, and possesses the know-how required of the shortstop. Larry, a good punch hitter, can hit to every field, and has good range in the spacious shortstop position.

Second baseman, captain Jerry Coppage is the key to the infield strength. Coppage is strong in every phase of the game, a good leader and team man. Coppage led the '67 Pipers in base hits.

First base may be the only question mark in the Piper infield. Rookie Rick Hochman appears to have the edge thus far, but Bob Sheptak is close behind. Paul Grummer also is in the plans for first sack chores. All three of these men handle smooth gloves around the sack, but hitting is essential in choosing a first baseman. Thus, the man that hits the best, will be the Piper fixture at first base.

These infielders, along with the strong Piper outfield trio of Hankins, Martin, and Harper should offer the offensive punch and defensive stability needed for a successful baseball campaign.

## Purdue Professor Becomes The New Cal Baseball Coach

Purdue Calumet has a new Baseball coach. Professor Lee Goodman, the "Shifty Second-Sacker" of the Indiana State "Fighting Sycamores" has plans for this year's team, and all those plans are stated by him in one word, "winning."

Professor Goodman lettered at Indiana State in baseball, and has had previous coaching experience. He was assistant coach to Irv Ilser at Horace Mann High School, Gary. He was head coach of the team at Tolleston High.

He's a go-getter who is interested in Purdue Cal and the students who attend the University. As debate and speech coach, he has aided in making Purdue Cal a formidable foe in academic competitions and now hopes to do the same in athletic competitions. He is in the process of organizing the team, the best Purdue Cal has seen thus far. A large number of men tried out and, of course, many had to be turned down. The extensive choice of good players made the decision difficult in elimination, but the choice men should prove to give the winning team coach Goodman wants.

# *Groping from the Sidelines*

**by Bob Harper**

This week's tip of the ole fedora goes to Professor Lee Goodman. Unknown, perhaps, to many students and faculty members of Purdue Cal, Prof. Good man has taken over as part-time coach of the Piper baseball team, assisting head-coach Bob Hayes. It takes a lot of fortitude and determination to accept a part-time coaching position with full-time interest. Prof. Goodman prepped in Chicago, and played collegiate baseball at Indiana State. Professor Goodman also sponsors the Ciceronians, and is a member of the Lectures and Assemblies Committee.

P.C.A.C., the sponsor of this year's hardball team, initiated the basketball lettermen Saturday night. Under the leadership of Brad DeReamer, president, six new men were inducted: Lee Hankins, Paul LaReau, Ray Thilmont, Don Rodda, Willie Martin, and Rick Hochman. Dennis Musgrave, latest recipient of the MacNamara fellowship for study with Uncle Sam, was granted honorary membership.

The Groper hopes to see all students and faculty members at the Piper's opener tomorrow. Game time is 11:00 a.m. Pipers versus Wright Junior College; should be a barn-burner. The Groper sees Mike Ryba on the mound with Zbig Rybicki doing the receiving in the opener. The Pipers hope to "pop the top" of this year's campaign with a big win over W.J.C.

Soccer Coach John Shields invites aspiring soccerers to confer with him at any time. Purdue Calumet's newest sport, soccer, should cause a big hit here in Hammond.

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**This is the schedule for the 1968 Piper baseball team. Home games are played at 173rd and Woodmar Avenue. Double headers begin at 11:00 a.m., single games at 2:00 p.m.**

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| April 6 | — | Wright Jr. College<br>There at 11:00 2 games |
| April 9 | — | PRAIRIE STATE COLLEGE<br>Here at 12:00 2 games |
| April 13 | — | SPRING ARBOR<br>Block Stadium 11:00 2 games |
| April 19 | — | Wilson Jr. College<br>There at 3:00 |
| April 20 | — | Valparaiso University<br>There at 1:00 2 games |
| April 25 | — | St. Marys College<br>There at 2:00 |
| April 27 | — | OLIVET NAZARENE<br>Here at 11:00 2 games |
| May 9 | — | ST. MARYS COLLEGE<br>Here at 2:00 |
| May 14 | — | WILSON JR. COLLEGE<br>Here at 3:00 |

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